



Dear Commonwealth of Massachusetts:



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Thank you for joining the future.

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Days like this, I wonder if I will live to see this nation re-join the ranks of the civilized world.

Meanwhile, in California, supporters of Proposition 8 would like to replace an accurate description of their measure to reverse same-sex marriages with something a little more misleading

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Thank you

This is Patricia Andreoli, wife of Daphne Worth, who you all knew as Trollcatz. Daphne died

...And there goes the weekend

But hey, we got a day and a half of this one! And I got to sleep in for two whole mornings. Too bad

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Meanwhile, Las Vegas is figuring out that it's losing money by not offering gay marriage vacation packages.

Nevada may be the first state to allow same-sex marriage **only** for nonresident couples.

Ah, Las Vegas. We don't like Those People, but we'll sure take their money. I love my hometown. You always know where you stand.



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Behind a pile of chips, with an uncontrollable twitch?

(LV: Never been there, never going, can't understand the appeal*)

*Oh, wait! Free buffets? Count me in! NOT.

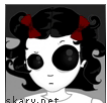


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We here in the Commonwealth were, after all, the first in the nation to allow same-gendered couples to marry. (One of our many firsts in the cause of liberty, one might add.) We have also twice rejected constitutional amendments to ban same-sex marriages. Dire predictions to the contrary, the world has singularly failed to come to an end.

In a few years, I can easily see us passing a constitutional amendment specifically guaranteeing that the right of two persons to marry shall not be abridged due to their genders. But, for now, we're getting rid of this remnant of the anti-miscegenation laws of the dark past. And that's a Good Thing.



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Kerns said she believes the changes are unfair. "It's extremely argumentative and creates prejudice against the measure," she said.

<booboo lip>

Aw, the Prop 8 people are worried that something is going to be prejudicial and unfair...against *their** prejudicial and unfair proposal. I believe there's a word for that.



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That is good. Now we just have to get to work on Kevin '07 (he's so last year) and get him to see sense, and change things so that, if nothing else, people from *completely different countries* don't suddenly become unmarried when they step off the plane onto Austalian soil for, you know, a holiday or something.

Full same-sex marriage rights = next on the list. We have a better chance with KRudd than we did with the Bonsai, I guess, but still not much better than Buckley's...



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Oh, by the way: that bill has been signed into law. Effective immediately, nonresident same-sex couples may marry in Massachusetts.



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...and Governor Mitt Romney cited the law as a means to prevent Massachusetts from becoming what he called "the Las Vegas of gay marriage."

Because everybody knows Las Vegas is hurting because of all those people going there to get married.

Which side of that one were you arguing, Mitt? *g*



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*Which side of that one were you arguing, Mitt? *g**

He was arguing the "I wanna be President instead of Governor of Massachusetts, so I need to start sucking up to the lunatic-grade fundies in the Republican primaries (who already don't trust me because I'm Mormon) - and, hey, here's this nice shiny issue!" side.

Meanwhile, the Berkshires are lovely in the fall, and quite convenient to Vermont. Not that I would be trying to tempt you into visiting my home state, or anything like that :-)



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Tricksy human!

T. and I talked about it when the law passed. We'd talked about California, too. But T. says she's going to get married once, damn it. She's not going chasing around the country getting married in Massachusetts, and Virginia, and Maryland, and Vermont, and D.C., and anyplace else we might want to go. Which I envisioned as a road rally, and started laughing.

A woman of principle, my gal. And a great navigator. *g*